

REMARKS

This Amendment is filed following Notice of Allowance mailed on January 23, 2006. On page 2 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner has made some amendments to claim 1, earlier discussed with the undersigned attorney for applicant. During the telephone conference, the Examiner indicated that these changes or amendments to claim 1 were necessary to provide antecedent basis for "smaller-sized speakers" in the whereby clause of the claim.

Subsequent to the issuance of the Notice of Allowance, the undersigned attorney for applicant conducted a telephone conference with Examiner Xu Mei on February 16, 2006, at which time it was sought to clarify the meaning or significance of the phrase, "smaller-sized loudspeaker" in the claim. Clearly, the expression "smaller-sized" can have at least the two following meanings:

- (1) the phrase could mean that one loudspeaker has a smaller size in terms of smaller physical dimensions than another loudspeaker;
- (2) another interpretation of the phrase is that one loudspeaker (the loudspeaker used for the low tones) can have smaller physical dimensions than a usual or typical loudspeaker used for only low tones.

The first interpretation is not consistent with the disclosure of the invention or even with the subject matter of the claims, such as claim 10. The invention teaches that one skilled in the art may take several identical loudspeakers, having identical structural type and form, and therefore also the same size and design. In front of one (or more) loudspeaker, a low-pass filter is placed, while in front of the other (or more) loudspeaker a phase shifter is placed. By using these additional components in conjunction with loudspeakers, loudspeakers can be used of dimensions that are smaller than those that are usually or typical used for producing low tones. The actual or

specific dimensions of such loudspeakers is, therefore, of less importance and even irrelevant. The comparison being made, for purposes of the invention, is the size of the speakers not as compared to the other speakers used in the system, but as compared to other speakers typically used in other systems to obtain low tones.

During the telephone conference with the Examiner indicated that she would favorably consider this Rule 312 Amendment so that the claim accurately reflects the disclosure and the invention.

This application, therefore, is now believed to be in better condition for issuance. Early issuance is accordingly respectfully solicited.

Applicant hereby petitions that any and all extensions of time of the term necessary to render this response timely be granted. COSTS FOR SUCH EXTENSION(S) AND/OR ANY OTHER FEE DUE WITH THIS PAPER THAT ARE NOT FULLY COVERED BY AN ENCLOSED CHECK MAY BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT #10-0100.

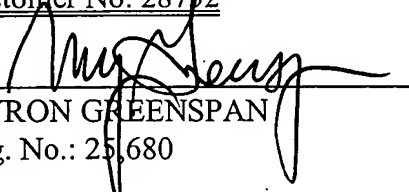
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